

BLUEJAY NEWS

MAY 2014

Color Study Update

We are finishing our focus on shades of yellow in the Bluejay class. Here is a look back on some of the experiences we featured during our focus on yellow and green.

EXPERIENCES FEATURING GREEN INCLUDED:



making and painting with shades of green, a green foods taste test, printmaking with green vegetables, monochromatic green building projects, and time outside at the farm and Brownwood Park.

EXPERIENCES FEATURING YELLOW INCLUDED:



Corn kernel sensory play, observing and drawing lemons and pineapples, yellow balloon play, making lemonade, singing "you are my sunshine," creating a paper mâché sunshine, painting with shades of yellow, and picking yellow flowers outside.

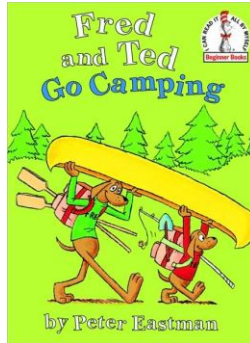
Reminders:

- Please wash hands when entering The Nest with your children.
- Check the blog for classroom diaries regularly!
- It's getting warm! Please bring in some warm weather spare clothes to put in your child's cubby.
- Please remember to regularly check your children's cubby bins (in the bathroom under the changing table). We put soiled or wet clothes as well as water bottles left at school in the cubbies.
- We are now composting at The Nest. If you have any old newspapers, please bring them in so we can add it to our compost bin.

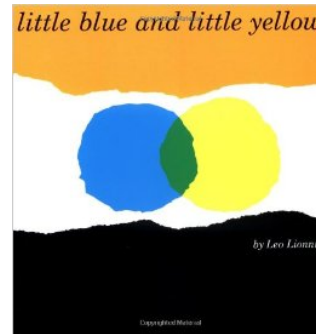
Dates to Remember:

- Friday, May 2, celebrate yellow with outdoor classroom yellow party. Please send children to school wearing yellow
- Saturday, May 3, Family visiting day to Wonder of Learning Exhibit (in Greenville, SC)
- Saturday, May 17 at 10am, Bluejay Family visit to Fernbank Museum of Natural History
- Thursday, May 22, last day of the school year!

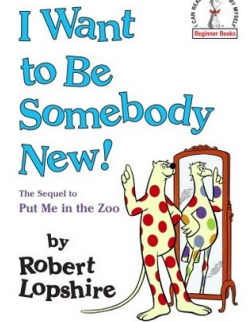
Popular Books in the Bluejay Class



**FRED AND TED
GO CAMPING
BY
PETER EASTMAN**



**LITTLE BLUE AND
LITTLE YELLOW
BY
LEO LIONNI**



**I WANT TO BE
SOMEBODY NEW!
BY
ROBERT LOPSHIRE**

Reflections from NAREA

Mandy has prepared and shared her reflections from the NAREA conference. Please check out our family visitation board to read about her reflections.

The Color Game

During our study of colors a sorting game has emerged that we call, "the color game." Children sort materials (most often wooden or support blocks) by color and put them in separate containers. The game allows children to practice their color knowledge, sorting and set work (fundamental math principles), and clean up skills. It is certainly adaptable to your homes as well!

